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SUBJECT: FRENCH PURCHASE OF ENRICHMENT

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EURATOM SUPPLY AGENCY ADVISES THEY WERE UNAWARE OF FRENCH PURCHASE REPORTED IN REFTEL UNTIL IT APPEARED IN THE NEWSPAPER. SUBSEQUENT INVESTIGATION REVEALED CONTRACT INITIATIVE WAS BY CEA AND NOT EDF AS SOME PRESS REPORTS INDICATED. SUPPLY AGENCY RELUCTANT TO DISCUSS ISSUE AS IT IS SCHEDULED FOR REVIEW WITH EUROPEAN COMMISSION EARLY NEXT WEEK. THEY DID CONFIRM PRESS REPORTS OF ABOUT 700,000 SWU PER YEAR WAS CORRECT BUT POINT OUT THAT OPTION OF CUSTTMER TO SELECT TAILS ASSAY LEAVES ACTUAL QUANTITY OF ENRICHED URANIUM PURCHASED UNKNOWN. ALSO THERE APPEARS TO BE NO CLEAR INDICATION OF WHETHER PURCHASE IS INTENDED AS BACKUP TO POSSIBLE DALSY IN EURODIF STARTUP, TO SATISFY EXPORT COMMITMENTS OR AS INTERIM SUBSTITUTE FOR RELOAD MATERIAL REQUESTED OF AEC FOR WHICH WE WERE UNABLE TO SIGN FIRM CONTRACTS. WE WILL ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN RESULTS OF COMMISSION CONSIDERATION OF MATTER THE LATTER PART OF NEXT WEEK.MYERSON

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